## Our Formal Spring Opening

## Begins To-Day and Continues Through Wednesday and Thursday.

Extensive preparations have been made for this opening—an event which is distinctly an advance over anything of like nature we've

It goes without saying that consequently no Richmond store has ever had a spring opening to compare with ours in the quantity, variety and style of merchandise on display and sale here this

We've been busy for months past preparing for spring and this particular occasion.

The very best that the world can produce in wearing apparel for women is not too good for this city and this store. We believe that Richmond women, after coming here to-day, will be a unit in saying that the "World's Best" IS here.

Dress Goods, Silks, Wash Fabrics, Tailored Suits and Waists, Costumes, latest ideas in Corsets, Underwear, Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Shoes—everything that goes to make up a first-class store for women will be found at Miller & Rhoads.

The store service—always the best that skill and money can make it is at your service.

An innovation during the opening will be a Japanese Tea Garden on the second floor, where tea and wafers will be served free daily from 4 to 6 P. M. An orchestra will be in attendance during these hours.

Our regular cafe service in the basement will be made especially attractive this week—special club luncheon being served daily from 12 to 3 P. M. for 40c.

The menu will be changed daily.

nam, general counsel, and Henry Tay-lor, general solicitor, "Mr. Rearick will remain in New York," said the official in question, "and will report to Mr. Wickham, the head of the company's legal department."

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# OUR SOLDIERS IN CITY COMMITTEE NEED OF SUPPLIES SPLIT ON PRIMARY

Major Mallory Finds Two Companies of First Infantry Poorly Equipped.

ATTENDANCE UP TO MARK

Enthusiastic Volunteers Under Disadvantage at Annual Inspection-Plan to Equip All.

Members Are Said to Be Evenly - Divided on One or Two Elections.

HAVE SHOW-DOWN THIS WEEK

Many Secure Duplicate Poll-Tax Receipts to Insure Right to Vote.

Nearly every member of Companies
A and B, First Virginia Infantry, formerly the Seventieth Virginia Regiment, fell in line last night and for three hours underwent as thorough an inspection by Major John Mallory, Twelfth United States Infantry, as any inspection officer ever conducted among volunteer militiamen in this State. The commands examined were slightly handicapped, as they did not know how rigidity the scrutinizing officer would consider every detail of their equipment.

There is no doubt but that the companies are sadly in need of accessories, as when the 120 men fell in line, some wore the campaign hat, while others, as the government has not supplied the regiment properly were forced to wear their dress caps. When the order was given to unfold ponchos, many of the volunteers did so hesitatingly, as they realized that the inspecting officer would surely criticize their lack of necessities.

"Should those fellows have to go to war to-morrow" said a member of another company, "some of them would have a pretty hard time."

Will Report All Needs.

Capatin Charles M. Wallace, of Company C. First Infantry, who is designant.

They fear that in the race willing to pay the increased assessment, prospects for the double primary in Richmond have materially bright-in the City Committee from the stand taken by Chairman Clyde W. Saunders. In Richmond have materially bright-in the City Committee from the stand taken by Chairman Miles M. Martin and Vice-Chairman Clyde W. Saunders. In Richmond have materially bright-in the City Committee from the stand taken by Chairman Miles M. Martin and Vice-Chairman Clyde W. Saunders. In Richmond have materially bright-in the City Committee from the stand taken by Chairm

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Department of Insurance, and Commis-sioner Button will return to Lynchburg to-day to be present through the trial.

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Fall Suits and Overcoats which sold up to \$30. All sizes. All styles.

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## SCHOOL BOARD HEARS PLEA FOR SHORT HOURS

Teachers and Physicians Advocate Earlier Closing, Board Reserving Decision Until It Can Look More Closely Into Matter—Give Many Reasons.

der consideration and make known its decision later.

Gave Pive Reasons.

Mrs. E. L. Lindsay, president of the Federation of Mothers' Clubs, presented the petition for the change in the hours. She gave five reasons why the present hours were not advantageous, both from the vicewpoint of healthfulness and efficiency to the teachers and the children. First, nervous strain on the children during the long hours is too great; second, the lunch hours are so irregular as to impair the digestive organs; fourth, the schools lose patronage from those parents who are unwilling to subject their children to the long hours if the, the strain of the long hours if the, the strain of the long hours is too great for the teachers.

Dr. J. Allison Hodges said that the guestion was one that he had long considered in the education of the members of his own family.

In projecting this new idea on the public, he declared that the Federation of Mothers' Clubs was building better than it. knew in the effort to relieve the teachers. and pupils of the public, he declared that the Federation of Mothers' Clubs was building better than it. knew in the effort to relieve the teachers and pupils of the quesion if you want to do good for the city and the State."

He called to mind several instances where he, as a physician, was obliged to have children removed from schools because of the fact that the long hours of work and irregular time for taking meals had rendered them unfit to pursue their studies. "A brilliant mind," he said, "is no good without a strong body."

Adding to the testimony of those who went before, speeches were made by Mrs. Gene Fraser, Dr. F. M. Reade, R. C. Stearnes, A. B. Chandler, Dr. C. Levy, Mrs. E. R. Chesterman, Mrs. R. G. Albert and Mrs. H. S. Whitlock followed out a suggestion made by Dr. Hodges that not only the hours should be changed, but that the number of studies should be less, and in some losses in the policy. She studed a source of studies should be less, and in some losses and to a source of studies should

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# AGAINST BREWERS

Mrs. Carmody Believed Not to Be Responsible for Labeling of "Near-Beer" Bottles.

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Mrs. Kat Carmody, of Seventeenth and Marshall Streets, was in Police Court yesterday morning to answer the charge of selling intoxicating liquors on Sunday and without a license. She maintained that the brand she sold was known as "near-beer," and that it came within the limits prescribed by the Byrd law as to what may be sold without a liquor license. An analysis by Dr. Whitefield showed that it contained only 21-4 per cent. of alcohol, which is exactly at the line drawn by the latest statute on the subject. The bottles were, however, unlabeled, which is a violation of the Federal law, and were unmarked with letters, which is a violation of the Erederal law, and were unmarked with letters, which is a violation of the Byrd law. The case involved fine legal points, and was continued by Justice Grutchfield until next Saturday morning. Pending that time, however, Mrs. Carmody was fined \$5 on a charge of laboring at her trade on the Sabbath, a penalty Which if it were enforced without distinction, would embrace many ethers in Richmond.

The Byrd law also contains a provision including as liquor which shall be proscribed to all beverages, those containing 21-4 per cent. alcohol included, which produce intoxication. The officers were unprepared to produce the intoxicated witnesses they had arrested previously to the arrest of Mrs. Carmody. They may be produced at the next hearing.

But as both Federal and State laws require the proper labeling of bottles. Mrs. Carmody, who claims to have bought the beverage in good faith, may not alone be held responsible. As purchaser she cannot, within the law, be held responsible for the labeling of the bottles. That rests with the brewing company making the beverage, and to make the case definite and conclusive the police department will probably bring charges against the manufacturing company.

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My Secret Process of Tanning the Bottom Seles produces More Whorn of the Chancel as Guardian of Thelma Plexible and Longer Wearing Leather than any other Tannage Whorn of the State of Lilizabeth Carter.

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOE STORE IN RICHMOND, 623 East Broad Street william H. Newby qualified as executor of the ostate of James Newby, The estate is small.